

REMARKS

Claims 13-34 are pending in the present application. Claims 13-16 are amended herein and claims 17-34 are added herein. Applicants respectfully request allowance of the pending claims.

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for indicating the allowable subject matter in claims 14 and 16. In view of this indication, these claims have been amended to be placed in independent form. The informalities pointed out by the Office Action have also been corrected. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that claims 14 and 16 are allowable.

Claims 13, 15, and 17-28 each depend from either claim 14 or claim 16 and add further limitations. It is respectfully submitted that these dependent claims are allowable by reason of depending from an allowable claim as well as for adding new limitations.

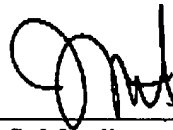
Claims 17-34 have been added herein. No new matter is added. It is respectfully submitted that each of these new claims is allowable over the references of record. For example, claim 29 specifically recites "a first electrode that includes a first sidewall, a bottom surface and a second sidewall, the first sidewall, the bottom surface and the second sidewall forming an enclosure; a dielectric layer overlying the first sidewall, the bottom surface and the second sidewall; a metal layer overlying the dielectric layer and lining the first sidewall, the bottom surface and the second sidewall, the metal layer comprising ruthenium or ruthenium(IV) oxide; and at least one material overlying the metal layer and filling at least a portion of the enclosure."

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is allowable over the references of record and respectfully requests that the case be passed to issuance. If the

Examiner should feel that a telephone conference would expedite allowance of the application, she is invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the below-referenced telephone number.

Please charge any necessary fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account Number 50-1065 of the below referenced firm. If an extension of time is needed, please consider this paper as a petition for such extension.

Respectfully submitted,



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